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## TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEM Docket No. (Under FR 1.97(b) or 1.97(c)) 19365-102130 Reed et al. In Re Application Of: Application No. Customer No. **Group Art Unit** Confirmation No. Filing Date Examiner 28886 herewith Title: METHOD OF DESIGNING AUTOMOTIVE SEAT ASSEMBLIES FOR REAR IMPACT PERFORMANCE Address to: **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 37 CFR 1.97(b) The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d); within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 in an international application; before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114. 37 CFR 1.97(c) The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of: ☐ the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e); **OR** $\Box$ the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).

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